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Docket No.: NU-541XX

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Sir:

In re application of:

Richard H. Morrison Jr. et al.

Entitled: METHOD OF PREPARING ELECTRICAL CONTACTS USED IN SWITCHES

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#### **AMENDMENT**

Via Facsimile Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.